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To: "Andy Watt" <andy.watt@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
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Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 27/12/2024 11:14 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	The Prince Albert Copthorne Bank Copthorne Crawley West Sussex RH10 3QX
Proposal:	Sever existing land to retain existing public house use and area of pub garden and erect a convenience store and 4 no. apartments with associated works, including alterations to the existing vehicular access and car park.
Case Officer:	Andrew Watt

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Customer Details

Address: 17 HEATHER CLOSE, COPTHORNE COPTHORNE crawley

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I strongly object to this application The remaining site for a pub/garden would be too small for the major investment required, to make it a going concern for a village pub. If it does get run to the ground there is no incentive for others to develop it as it would be uneconomic. Overdevelopment of corner site creating more traffic onto an already busy junction. Parking area for pub/business unit

insufficient, but even this would create more noise and pollution to an already congested corner, bearing in mind that Copthorne Bank/Brookhill Road is often used to avoid the A264 at busy times.

No need for another convenience store, one recently upgraded with Post Office just a few yards away. This would be totally unfair to this business and the 2 others in the village. One in Heathy Wood would be more useful for their residents. If a retail unit, maybe a bakery?

4 flats with no outside space - do we need more flats in Copthorne, just seems like they just want to cram in as much development as possible into this prime site to the detriment of existing village businesses and the general community.

This would be a real missed opportunity to create an attractive community asset on that site with a thriving pub/cafe/meeting space on this prime site in the village. We want to keep the village feel but this development would not enhance any aspect of village life. Improvements to the current pub, the Prince Albert, are not part of this application, so the current sad state would not change without much financial input, which doesn't seem to be forthcoming from the site owner/occupiers.

Please consider the impact passing this application would have on current and future residents and neighbours. We owe it to the future villagers to be mindful of our current actions.

Kind regards